RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

MAY 3 0 2006



intellectual Property Department 3400 W. Plano Parkway, M/S LEGL2 Plano, TX 75075-5813

FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL

TO:

Examiner Oanh L. Duong

COMPANY:

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office - Tech Group 2155

CENTRAL FAX NO.:

571-273-8300

FROM:

Bobby D. Slaton

COMPANY:

Alcatel USA

Intellectual Property Department

FAX NO.:

972-477-9328

SENDER'S TELEPHONE NO.:

972-519-2295

DATE:

May 30, 2006

TOTAL PAGES (incl. Cover)

Serial No.: 10/078,196

Attorney Docket No.: 135845

I hereby certify that the following documents are being transmitted via facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 30, 2006.

1. Facsimile Transmittal (1 page)

Amendment (8 pages)

The documents accompanying this telecopy transmission contain information from Alcatel that is confidential and/or legally privileged. The information is intended only for the use of the individual or entity names on this transmission sheet. If you are not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any disclosure, copying, distribution or the taking of any action in reliance on the contents of this telecopied information is strictly prohibited and that the documents should be returned to Alcatel immediately. In this regard, if you have received this telecopy in error, please notify us by telephone immediately so that we can arrange for the return of the original documents to us at no cost to you.

RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

972 477 9328 P.02/09

MAY 3 0 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

Sudeep Gupta

Docket:

135845

Serial No.:

10/078,196

Art Unit:

2155

Filed:

February 19, 2002

Examiner:

Oanh L. Duong

Title:

Multi-homing Proxy Apparatus, and Associated Method, for Digital

Communication Network

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted to the

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office via facsimile, 571-273-8300, Attn: Examiner Oauh L. Duong, on May 30, 2006 in

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.6(d).

Bobby D. Slate

Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action ("Office Action") dated March 30, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following argument/amendment.